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Art Unit : 2121

Serial No.: 10/051,522

Examiner : TBA

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Title : Control Apparatus for Cutting Machine and Method of Indication

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Applicants request that the filing date of this Application be corrected from "January 22, 2002" to --December 21, 2001--.

Enclosed is a copy of the filing receipt as received from the PTO, with changes marked in red. As noted, the filing date is in error. The correct filing date should be "December 21, 2001" as shown in the enclosed copies of:

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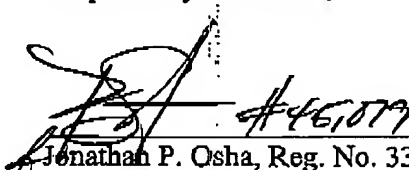
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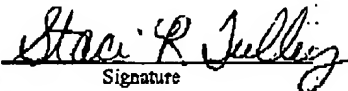
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Title : CONTROL APPARATUS FOR CUTTING MACHINE AND METHOD  
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**STATEMENT REGARDING ATTEMPTED EXPRESS MAIL SUBMISSION**  
**PURSUANT TO NOTICE AT 1251 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 55 (Oct. 9, 2001)**

Dear Sir:

I, the undersigned, being a registered patent attorney, presented the accompanying express mail package to the U.S. Postal Service at Bush Intercontinental Airport, Houston, Texas, on December 21, 2001. The package is properly addressed to Box Patent Application, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

The U.S.P.S. employee refused to accept this package, citing the November 16, 2001, notice of the Chief Operating Officer and Executive Vice President of the United States Postal Service temporarily and immediately suspending Express Mail service to Washington, D.C., ZIP Codes 202xx through 205xx (e.g., 20231). It is noted that the USPTO designated this interruption in the Express Mail service of the USPS as a postal service interruption within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. 21(a) and 37 CFR 1.6(e). The U.S.P.S. employee was unaware that this Notice had been rescinded, and could not be convinced otherwise.

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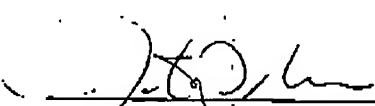
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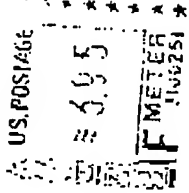
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